



Langley Research Center Safety Alert

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TO: All Center Employees

FROM: 429/Safety Manager, Head, Risk Management Branch, SSQRD

Subject: Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Program

There have been a number of concerns regarding the Center's Traffic Safety voiced to this office. They focus on speeding, pedestrian safety in crosswalks, and traffic on Ames Road.

The Security Branch has increased their enforcement activities to control vehicle speed. You will continue to notice use of radar speed detection in peak traffic periods, and at the start and end of the normal Center work shifts. Please, be aware of your vehicle speed.

The policy for pedestrian safety in crosswalks is provided in LMI 1700.7, "Traffic Regulations". For your information, the following is presented from that Management Instruction.

Responsibility

Pedestrians

Action

- Cross streets at designated crosswalks.
- Look both ways before entering crosswalks to make sure there is sufficient time to walk across the street.
- Do not step in front of an oncoming vehicle assuming the vehicle will stop.

Note: Pedestrians have the right of way after they stop, look and enter crosswalks.

Adherence to this by pedestrians and vehicle drivers is vital.

The Center eliminated vehicle stopping, standing or parking along the Center's main artery, Ames Road in 1982. Signs were installed and a special notice provided all employees. The policy remains unchanged. Enforcement of this traffic regulation will be heightened.

Thank you for your support of the Center's comprehensive Safety Program.

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